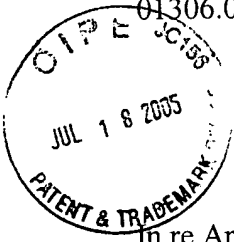


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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Sophia S. Chen
Takamitsu SODA, et al.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/721,891	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 5985
Filed: November 26, 2003	)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS	)	July 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
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SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT SHEETS OF THE DRAWINGS

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of an Official Action, dated April 18, 2005, in the above-identified application. A Response to the Official Action is due on July 18, 2005, and is being filed concurrently herewith.

Enclosed are ten (10) replacement sheets of corrected formal drawings to be substituted for the corresponding sheets presently on file in the application. In the substitute sheets, the legend --PRIOR ART-- has been added to Figure 10 as required by the Examiner

In addition, Figures 1 through 9 of improved quality have been resubmitted herewith.

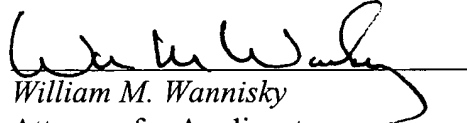
It is respectfully submitted that the replacement sheets do not contain any new matter.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be required.

Favorable consideration and allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the below-listed address.

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